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ABSTRACT

The accuracies of two strapdown system attitude algorithms are compared by digital computer simulation of the algorithms' response to specified angular input rates. For constant rate cases, both the direction cosine matrix (D.C.M.) technique and the Euler parameter technique gave rise to linearly growing drift angle errors. The errors incurred by the Euler parameter technique were significantly less than those incurred by the direction cosine matrix scheme.

For the cases where the simulated body motions were purely sinusoidal, the drift errors incurred by both techniques were bounded sinusoids having the same periods as the applied angular inputs. The magnitudes of the bounds were again less for those routines using Euler parameters rather than D.C.M. schemes. The magnitudes of the bounds for this case were also found to be proportional to the input angular rate raised to the power of the order of the numerical integration scheme employed.

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CHAPTER 1.

Introduction

Strapdown navigation systems enable the determination of vehicle motions, position, and attitude with respect to some reference frame by using gyros and accelerometers which are fixed to the vehicle. Because these instruments are fixed to the vehicle, they are always in the same orientation with respect to any coordinate frame also fixed in the vehicle. This hypothetical frame fixed in the body is called the body frame.

In order to use the gyro and accelerometer measurements, it is necessary to have an accurate measurement of the orientation of the body frame with respect to the reference frame. The most common representation of this orientation is that of the direction cosine matrix. This is a matrix whose elements are the cosines of the angles between the axes of the body and reference frame. There are, however, other representations which can be used. Specifically, two of these are: (1) Euler parameters; and (2) Cayley-Klein parameters. The three techniques mentioned above are all governed by differential equations which are functions of vehicle rotations, and these equations can be solved by numerical integration on a computer using the gyro signals to indicate changes in vehicle orientation. The equations programmed in the computer for this purpose are called attitude algorithms.

It will be the purpose of this thesis to evaluate, by use of computer simulation, the relative merits of the three techniques mentioned above. The algorithms will be simulated as if they were computed on a general purpose computer. Another technique employing Euler angles to represent the relative orientation of the coordinate frames was not included in this analysis due to the singularities inherent with three parameter schemes. These singularities are the equivalent of "gimbal lock" situations found in physical represen-

tations employing a three gimbal system.^[1] The merits of each algorithm can be determined by comparing the relative orientation computed by using each of the techniques (when specific vehicle maneuvers are prescribed) with the closed form solution of the direction cosine matrix. The accuracy of each of the algorithms will depend not only on vehicle maneuvers, but also on the integration schemes used to evaluate the differential equations and the rate extraction techniques used to determine the angular velocity of the vehicle. It will be assumed that integrating gyros which are sampled a number of times over each integration step will be utilized. These changes in accuracy by use of more sampling times or higher order numerical integration techniques will, of course, increase the computer time needed for each integration interval. The algorithms will be compared by: (1) determining relative accuracy for each algorithm using different integration routines (Runge-Kutta first order, second order, and fourth order), and specified vehicle motions; (2) determining relative accuracy for each algorithm when combined with an orthonormalization scheme; and (3) determining relative accuracy for each algorithm using different specified vehicle motions.

The accuracy will be determined by putting the results of all the techniques into their equivalent direction cosine matrices (D.C.M.'s). Because of the errors incurred in numerical integration, these D.C.M.'s may not be orthonormal; and different orthonormalization techniques will be used to determine which yields the best results. After orthonormalization, the D.C.M.'s calculated by using the two different algorithms will be compared by determining how large a rotation must be made with each computed reference frame to align it with the true reference frame.

The vehicle motions which will be used for this analysis are those for which closed form solution can be evaluated. These motions

will include: (1) single axis constant rotations; (2) three axis constant rotations; (3) single axis sinusoidal rotations; and (4) general coning motion. For each of these motions and different angular velocities, the accuracies of each algorithm will be compared.

The direction cosine algorithm computation using $\dot{B} = B\Omega$, (where Ω is the skew-symmetric form of the angular velocity of the body with respect to the reference frame, coordinatized in the body frame) seems to be the one most frequently used in strapdown systems. This thesis will try to either confirm the value of this algorithm or suggest the use of an alternative algorithm in order to yield the best results in a strapdown system.

CHAPTER 2.Transformation Algorithms

The purpose of a transformation matrix is to transform the coordinates of a vector in one frame to their associated values in a second frame.

The transformation matrix accomplishes this transformation by a simple multiplication. If we let \underline{v}^b be the coordinates of a vector in the body frame, \underline{v}^i be the coordinates of the same vector in the inertial reference frame, and C_b^i be the coordinate transformation from the body frame to the reference frame, then:

$$\underline{v}^i = C_b^i \underline{v}^b$$

where each element of the transformation matrix C_b^i is the cosine of the angle between an axis of the reference frame and an axis of the body frame. [5]

The purpose of a transformation algorithm is to determine the elements of the transformation matrix as a function of time, given only the value of the elements of the transformation matrix at the initial time (t_0) , and the angular motions of the body with respect to the reference frame coordinatized in the body frame. The latter can be obtained directly from the gyros mounted on the vehicle.

If the angular rotation of the body is:

$$\underline{\omega}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_x(t) \\ \omega_y(t) \\ \omega_z(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

where ω_x , ω_y , ω_z are the angular rates about the x, y, z body axis respectively, then

$$\dot{C}_b^i(t) = C_b^i(t) \Omega(t) \quad (2.1)$$

where Ω is the skew symmetric form of the angular rate vector, i.e.,

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\omega_z(t) & \omega_y(t) \\ \omega_z(t) & 0 & -\omega_x(t) \\ -\omega_y(t) & \omega_x(t) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Equation 2.1 actually represents nine first order coupled differential equations. It is assumed that $C_b^i(t_0)$ and $\underline{\omega}(t)$ are known. Therefore, $C_b^i(t)$ can be obtained for all t by numerically integrating these equations on a general purpose computer. This scheme will be identified as the "Direction Cosine Matrix Algorithm," and should not be confused with the direction cosine matrix itself.

The Euler parameter algorithm uses a four parameter technique.^[1] When Euler formulated this technique, he found that by using three parameters instead of two to represent the components of an axis about which one coordinate frame was rotating with respect to another, he could avoid the problem of singularities. A complete derivation of this technique can be found in Reference 2.

Instead of having nine differential equations to solve, the Euler parameter technique has only four. The Euler parameter technique can be summarized by the following equations:

Let θ be the vector whose components are the Euler parameters

$$\underline{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \\ \theta_3 \\ \theta_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

This vector will then satisfy the following differential equation

$$\frac{d\underline{\theta}}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega_z & -\omega_y & -\omega_x \\ -\omega_z & 0 & \omega_x & -\omega_y \\ \omega_y & -\omega_x & 0 & -\omega_z \\ \omega_x & \omega_y & \omega_z & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underline{\theta}$$

and the direction cosine matrix can be obtained from purely algebraic manipulations as follows

$$C_b^i = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1^2 + \theta_4^2 - \theta_2^2 - \theta_3^2 & 2(\theta_1\theta_2 + \theta_3\theta_4) & 2(\theta_1\theta_3 - \theta_2\theta_4) \\ 2(\theta_1\theta_2 - \theta_3\theta_4) & -\theta_1^2 + \theta_2^2 + \theta_4^2 - \theta_3^2 & 2(\theta_2\theta_3 + \theta_1\theta_4) \\ 2(\theta_1\theta_3 + \theta_2\theta_4) & 2(\theta_2\theta_3 - \theta_1\theta_4) & -\theta_1^2 - \theta_2^2 + \theta_3^2 + \theta_4^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using this technique, we have to integrate only four differential equations. However, these four values must be put into the D.C.M. form in order to use their information as a transformation from the body frame to the reference frame. The effort involved in accomplishing

this task is comprised solely of simple algebraic manipulations and is not an iterative procedure, as is the integration of the differential equations.

Finally, the third algorithm to be mentioned is that using Cayley-Klein parameters. It is also a four parameter technique satisfying the differential equation.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \\ \alpha_4 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\omega_z & -\omega_y & -\omega_x \\ \omega_z & 0 & -\omega_x & \omega_y \\ \omega_y & \omega_x & 0 & -\omega_z \\ \omega_x & -\omega_y & \omega_z & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \\ \alpha_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the direction cosine matrix can be formed according to the following equation.

$$c_b^i = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1^2 - \alpha_2^2 - \alpha_3^2 + \alpha_4^2 & 2(-\alpha_1\alpha_2 + \alpha_3\alpha_4) & 2(\alpha_1\alpha_3 + \alpha_2\alpha_4) \\ 2(\alpha_1\alpha_2 + \alpha_3\alpha_4) & \alpha_1^2 - \alpha_2^2 + \alpha_3^2 - \alpha_4^2 & 2(-\alpha_1\alpha_4 + \alpha_2\alpha_3) \\ 2(-\alpha_1\alpha_3 + \alpha_2\alpha_4) & 2(\alpha_1\alpha_4 + \alpha_2\alpha_3) & \alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2 - \alpha_3^2 - \alpha_4^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

If we let

$$\alpha_1 = \theta_4$$

$$\alpha_2 = -\theta_3$$

$$\alpha_3 = -\theta_2$$

$$\alpha_4 = -\theta_1$$

we then have identical differential equations and identical forms for the transformation matrix in both the Euler parameter and the Cayley-Klein parameter techniques.

Because these two techniques are really the same, the computer analyses run on the IBM 360 were only programmed for Euler parameters. The results for the Cayley-Klein parameters would have been identical to these. There is no practical reason why one of the four parameter techniques should be favored over the other, with respect to accuracy, ease of programming, or computer time needed to process the algorithm.

CHAPTER 3.Rate Extraction, Integration Routines,
and Orthonormalization RoutinesA. Rate Extraction

It was shown that the attitude algorithm requires continual knowledge of $\underline{\omega}(t)$. However, most systems use pulse torqued integrating gyros whose output is not in the form of angular velocities, but rather in the incremental form $\Delta\theta(t)$, where $\Delta\theta(t)$ is an incremental change in angular orientation. It is necessary to be able to extract rate information $\underline{\omega}(t)$ from the series of pulse trains $\Delta\theta(t)$ for the Runge-Kutta integration routines which were used to integrate the algorithms' differential equations. A first order approach to rate extraction would be to let

$$\omega(t) = \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta\theta(t+\Delta t) - \Delta\theta(t)}{\Delta t}$$

Some integration routines, however, also need rate information at the midpoint of the integration interval, i.e., $\omega(t + \frac{t}{2})$. For this reason, a second order rate extraction scheme was used in the computer simulations which were implemented.

This second order scheme samples the gyro output at times t , $t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}$, and $t + \Delta t$. Using these three points, and simulating the gyro output increments as

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\theta_1(t) &= \theta(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) - \theta(t) \\ \Delta\theta_2(t) &= \theta(t + \Delta t) - \theta(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}),\end{aligned}$$

where $\theta(t)$ is the actual simulated rotation, and fitting the points with a second order polynomial, yields after differentiation: [1]

$$\omega(t) = \frac{3\Delta\theta_1(t) - \Delta\theta_2(t)}{\Delta t}$$

$$\omega(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) = \frac{\Delta\theta_1(t) + \Delta\theta_2(t)}{\Delta t}$$

$$\omega(t + \Delta t) = \frac{-\Delta\theta_1(t) + 3\Delta\theta_2(t)}{\Delta t}$$

Other techniques using higher sampling rates for the gyros can yield better approximations to $\omega(t)$ than the method just described. The advantages and disadvantages of these techniques will be discussed later.

B. Integration Schemes

The rate information determined in the previous section can now be used as the input to the integration routines, which were used to get solutions from the algorithms' differential equations. In the computer simulations performed, it was arbitrarily decided to let the initial conditions be set by the fact that at $t = 0$ the body frame of the vehicle is exactly aligned with the reference frame. The magnitudes and general form of the errors associated with the algorithms would not be changed by using other initial conditions, and exact initial alignment was chosen merely for convenience. For the direction cosine matrix technique $\dot{C}_b^i(t) = C_b^i(t)\Omega(t)$, the initial conditions imply that $C_b^i(t_0)$ equals the identity matrix. For the Euler parameter technique, the initial conditions implying exact alignment are:

$$\begin{aligned}\theta_1 &= 0.0 \\ \theta_2 &= 0.0 \\ \theta_3 &= 0.0 \\ \theta_4 &= 1.0\end{aligned}$$

For the purposes of this simulation, it was decided to test both algorithms using a first, second, and fourth order Runge-Kutta integration routine with fixed time steps of integration. Third order routines were not employed, due to the fact that some of the cases simulated in this analysis have been previously analyzed using closed-form analytic techniques when first, second, and third order integration routines were employed.^[2] It was hoped that use of first, second and fourth order techniques in this analysis would computationally confirm and extend the results of previous analytic comparisons. On an actual flight, it would be advantageous to be able to sample the gyros at a predetermined rate and also compute over predetermined intervals of integration, so that the amounts of computer time needed to implement a particular algorithm would be known exactly. The use of a variable step size integration routine would not permit the evaluation of the computation time needed because it would be impossible to determine beforehand what integration step size would be used.

Runge-Kutta integration techniques were employed because they do not require past histories of the dependent variables, and they have an accuracy equivalent to the accuracy of a Taylor series solution of the same order.

The equations governing these integration routines are shown below.^[3,4]

Letting $\dot{\underline{x}}(t) = \underline{f}[\underline{x}(t), \underline{\omega}(t)]$, the equations become:

First-Order Runge-Kutta

$$\underline{x}(t + \Delta t) = \underline{x}(t) + \Delta t [\underline{f}(\underline{x}(t), \underline{\omega}(t))]$$

Second-Order Runge-Kutta

$$\underline{y} = \underline{x}(t) + \Delta t [\underline{f}(\underline{x}(t), \underline{\omega}(t))]$$

$$\underline{x}(t + \Delta t) = \underline{x}(t) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} [\underline{f}(\underline{y}, \underline{\omega}(t + \Delta t)) + \underline{f}(\underline{x}(t), \underline{\omega}(t))]$$

Fourth-Order Runge-Kutta

$$\underline{A} \approx \Delta t \underline{f}[\underline{x}(t), \underline{\omega}(t)]$$

$$\underline{B} \approx \Delta t \underline{f}[\underline{x}(t) + \frac{\underline{A}}{2}, \underline{\omega}(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2})]$$

$$\underline{C} \approx \Delta t \underline{f}[\underline{x}(t) + \frac{\underline{B}}{2}, \underline{\omega}(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2})]$$

$$\underline{D} \approx \Delta t \underline{f}[\underline{x}(t) + \underline{C}, \underline{\omega}(t + \Delta t)]$$

$$\underline{x}(t + \Delta t) = \underline{x}(t) + \frac{\underline{A}}{6.0} + \frac{\underline{B}}{3.0} + \frac{\underline{C}}{3.0} + \frac{\underline{D}}{6.0}$$

C. Orthonormalization

The elements of the direction cosine matrices computed by either the direction cosine matrix technique or the Euler parameter technique will contain errors due to the fact that numerical integration routines are not exact. Because of these errors, the computed D.C.M.'s will not necessarily have the property of being orthonormal.

Orthonormality is a requisite of a true D.C.M. and can be expressed as follows. If \underline{C}_i ; $i = 1, 2, 3$; are the three rows of the D.C.M., normality requires that

$$|\underline{C}_i| = 1 \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

and orthogonality requires that

$$\underline{C}_1 \times \underline{C}_2 = \underline{C}_3$$

$$\underline{C}_2 \times \underline{C}_3 = \underline{C}_1$$

$$\underline{C}_3 \times \underline{C}_1 = \underline{C}_2$$

where "x" denotes the cross product operator. The algorithms used in this analysis were also tested with the orthonormalization routines included, to determine how much improvement could be obtained in the

For the Euler parameter technique, orthonormalization merely requires that:

$$\sum_{i=1}^4 (\theta_i)^2 = 1$$

If this requirement is met, the rows and columns of the D.C.M. formed from the Euler parameters have magnitude equal to one, and they are mutually orthogonal. Therefore, the D.C.M. formed by these parameters will be automatically orthonormal. Therefore, in the computed simulation, orthonormalization was achieved by dividing each of the computed parameters by the square root of the sum of the squares of the computed parameters.

Orthonormalization for the direction cosine matrix technique is not nearly as simple as for the four parameter algorithm. For this case, a technique was used which was not too complicated but does normalize the computed D.C.M. and orthogonalizes the computed D.C.M. to second-order in the original orthogonality errors (see Appendix B).

The procedure used was to let \underline{B}_i ; $i = 1, 2, 3$; be the rows of the computed D.C.M.

Then form:

$$\underline{C}_i = \underline{B}_j \times \underline{C}_k$$

where $i = 1$, $j = 2$, $k = 3$; $i = 2$, $j = 3$, $k = 1$; and $i = 3$, $j = 1$, $k = 2$. Next let

$$\hat{\underline{B}}_i = \frac{\underline{B}_i + \underline{C}_i}{|\underline{B}_i + \underline{C}_i|}$$

and the $\hat{\underline{E}}_i$ are now the rows of the orthonormalized D.C.M.

The direction cosine matrices were orthonormalized each time the direction cosine matrix was formed, i.e. every ten seconds for the simulations performed.

CHAPTER 4.

Error Quantities and Truth Models

A. Error Quantities

Use of a computer to integrate the differential equations of the attitude algorithms discussed in the previous chapter, yields a computed direction cosine matrix. The elements of the computed direction cosine matrix will differ from those of the true direction cosine matrix representing the relative orientation of the body frame and the reference frame, due to errors in the numerical integration techniques, errors in the rate extraction schemes and numerical round off in the computer. In the present analysis, the errors due to numerical round off were reduced enough to become insignificant by using double precision in all the programs run on the computer. Merely comparing the difference of the elements of these two matrices does not, however, yield a good physical representation of the errors in the computed D.C.M.

In order to obtain a somewhat physical representation of the errors associated with the computed direction cosine matrix, the following scheme can be used. [1,2]

Let \hat{C} be the computed D.C.M. between the body and reference frames, C be the exact D.C.M. between the two frames, and C^T be the transpose of C .

Then

$$\hat{C} = C + \delta C$$

or

$$\hat{C} = (I + E)C$$

where

$$E = \delta CC^T$$

and the fact that $CC^T = I$ yields $E = \hat{C}C^T - I$. The error matrix, E , will be of the form:

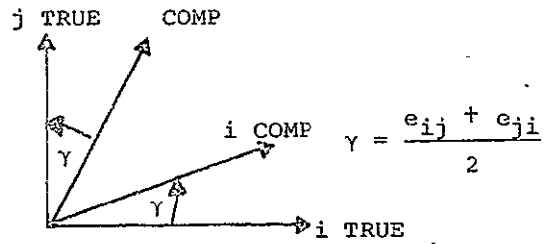
$$E = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{11} & \epsilon_{12} & \epsilon_{13} \\ \epsilon_{21} & \epsilon_{22} & \epsilon_{23} \\ \epsilon_{31} & \epsilon_{32} & \epsilon_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

The elements of the error matrix can be given a physical interpretation.^[1] The elements along the main diagonal indicate to first order the growth or decrement, of the column they are in, from unity. This error is called the "scale error" and is a dimensionless quantity.

Letting ϵ_{ij} be the element in the i^{th} column and j^{th} row of the error matrix, "skew errors" can be defined as the average of the off diagonal elements of the error matrix, i.e.

$$(\text{Skew})_k = \frac{\epsilon_{ij} + \epsilon_{ji}}{2} \quad \text{for} \quad \begin{cases} k = 1, i = 2, j = 3 \\ k = 2, i = 1, j = 3 \\ k = 3, i = 1, j = 2 \end{cases}$$

Physically the skew error is a measure of the perpendicularity of the i and j axes, as shown by the following figure:

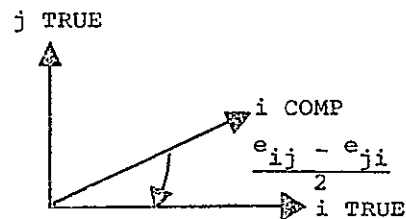


Finally, a "drift error" can be associated with the error matrix.

$$\text{Drift Error}_k = \frac{e_{ij} - e_{ji}}{2} \quad \text{for} \quad \begin{cases} k = 1, i = 2, j = 3 \\ k = 2, i = 3, j = 1 \\ k = 3, i = 1, j = 2 \end{cases}$$

The drift error is a measure of how much the computed frame must be rotated about the k^{th} axis to align it with the true frame.

A geometric interpretation of the drift error appears below.



The scale errors as defined are dimensionless quantities. The skew and drift errors are in radians, but can easily be converted to degrees, as was done for this simulation.

Using these errors as a measure of accuracy for the different algorithms tested easily lends physical insight to the determination of the merits of each algorithm.

B. Truth Models and Input Rates

In order to calculate the error matrix \underline{E} , described in the previous section, it is necessary to have knowledge of the true D.C.M. Four basic types of vehicle rotations were used in this computer analysis, and a truth model which could compute the true D.C.M. in closed form was needed.

1. Single Axis, Constant Rate

For the single axis constant rate rotations, the D.C.M. is merely a function of the angle through which the body axis was rotated. Assuming an x, y, z coordinate system, the simulated rotations were input about the y axis, i.e.

$$\omega(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ k \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad k = \text{constant}$$

then

$$\theta_0 = 0$$

$$\theta_y(t) = \theta_0 + kt$$

$$\theta_x(t) = 0$$

$$\theta_z(t) = 0$$

and

$$C_{B \text{ True}}^I(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_Y(t) & 0 & \sin \theta_Y(t) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta_Y(t) & 0 & \cos \theta_Y(t) \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. Single Axis, Sinusoidal Rates

The single axis, sinusoidal rates case also used the y body axis as the axis of rotation. The form of the sinusoidal input used was:

$$\omega(t) = \alpha \cos \beta t$$

As for the single axis case, the true D.C.M. is only a function of $\theta_Y(t)$, which was evaluated according to the following equation:

$$\theta_Y(t) = \theta_0(t) + \int_{t_0}^t \alpha \cos \beta \tau = 0 + \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \sin \beta \tau \Bigg]_{t_0}^t$$

Therefore

$$\theta_Y(t) = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \sin \beta t \quad 4.1$$

and the construction of the true D.C.M. is the same as for the single axis case with equation 3.1 being used to evaluate $\theta_Y(t)$.

3. Three Axes, Constant Rates

For this case, a constant angular rate was input into all three axes. To evaluate the truth model for this case, we let

$$\dot{C}_{\text{true}}(t) = C_{\text{true}}(t)\Omega(t)$$

which is the differential equation used in the direction cosine matrix technique.

If we let $\Phi(t, t_0)$ be the transition matrix for this equation, it can be shown (see Appendix A) that the true direction cosine matrix can be represented as:

$$C_{\text{true}}^I(t) = [I + \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2} (1 - \cos \omega t) - \frac{\Omega}{\omega} \sin \omega t]^T$$

where $\omega = [\omega_x^2(t) + \omega_y^2(t) + \omega_z^2(t)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$

and $\Omega(t)$ = skew symmetric form of $\underline{\omega}(t)$.

4. Coning Motion Superimposed on Constant Pitch Rate

The angular input for this case is:

$$\underline{\omega}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \sin \beta t \\ \gamma \\ \alpha \cos \beta t \end{pmatrix}$$

For this case, it can be shown (see Appendix A) that the true D.C.M. as a function of time is as follows:

$$C_B^I(t) = [I + \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2} (1 - \cos \omega t) + \frac{\Omega}{\omega} \sin \omega t] C_B^A(t)$$

where

$$\underline{\omega}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \beta + \gamma \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix} ; \omega = (\alpha^2 + (\beta + \gamma)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$\Omega(t)$ is the skew symmetric form of $\omega(t)$

$$\text{and } C_B^A(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \beta t & 0 & -\sin \beta t \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \beta t & 0 & \cos \beta t \end{pmatrix}$$

Besides evaluating truth models for the analysis, we must provide our computational algorithms with pulses $\Delta\theta(t)$, in order to enable evaluation of the angular velocity, $\underline{\omega}(t)$, as it would be accomplished by measuring $\Delta\theta(t)$ from the gyro outputs. The $\Delta\theta(t)$ used for the analysis was not quantized, as would be the case with a physical system, although evaluation of errors from this source might be desirable if the level of quantization were so large as to compete with the drift errors which come about from only approximate integration of the algorithm's differential equations.

a. For the single axis constant rate case

$$\underline{\omega}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ k \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta\theta_1(t) = \Delta\theta_2(t) = \int_t^{t+\frac{\Delta t}{2}} \underline{\omega}(t) dt = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ k\frac{\Delta t}{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus $k\Delta t$ was the pulse input to the algorithm which then used the rate extraction routine described in Chapter 2 to derive rate information.

b. For the three axes constant rate case

$$\underline{\omega}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \\ \gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

and the pulses used by the algorithms were

$$\Delta\theta_1(t) = \Delta\theta_2(t) = \int_t^{t+\frac{\Delta t}{2}} \underline{\omega}(t) dt = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\alpha\Delta t}{2} \\ \frac{\beta\Delta t}{2} \\ \frac{\gamma\Delta t}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

c. For the single axis sinusoidal case,

$$\underline{\omega}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \alpha \cos \beta t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and therefore

$$\Delta\theta_1(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \int_t^{t+\frac{\Delta t}{2}} \alpha \cos \beta t dt \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \left[\sin \beta \left(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \right) - \sin \beta t \right] \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Delta \theta_{-2}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} t + \Delta t \\ \int_{t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}}^{\quad} \alpha \cos \beta t \, dt \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\alpha}{\beta} [\sin \beta(t + \Delta t) - \sin \beta(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2})] \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

d. For the coning motion superimposed on a pitch rate, the angular rate is

$$\underline{\omega}(t) = \begin{Bmatrix} \alpha \sin \beta t \\ \gamma \\ \alpha \cos \beta t \end{Bmatrix}$$

and therefore

$$\Delta \theta_{-1}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\alpha}{\beta} [\cos \beta(t) - \cos \beta(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2})] \\ \gamma \frac{\Delta t}{2} \\ \frac{\alpha}{\beta} [\sin \beta(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) - \sin \beta t] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Delta \theta_{-2}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\alpha}{\beta} [\cos \beta(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) - \cos \beta(t + \Delta t)] \\ \gamma \frac{\Delta t}{2} \\ \frac{\alpha}{\beta} [\sin \beta(t + \Delta t) - \sin \beta(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2})] \end{bmatrix}$$

It should be reemphasized that the angular rates could have been supplied to the algorithm directly; but doing this would have neglected the errors incurred by the algorithms due to the fact that they do not have exact means of rate extraction.

CHAPTER 5

Results of the Computer Analysis

In order to compare the accuracies of the previously discussed algorithms, four types of vehicle motions were simulated. For each simulated vehicle maneuver, both the direction cosine matrix and Euler parameter techniques were employed using first, second and fourth order integration routines. The integration interval was kept at a constant value of 1/8 second, and all of the test runs were simulated for a period of three minutes.

The drift, scale, and skew errors found in each of the computed D.C.M.'s were then compared in an attempt to evaluate the relative merits of each of the algorithms tested. Although each type of vehicle maneuver was input separately, the generality of the programs allow any combination of vehicle maneuvers to be input, as long as it is still possible to formulate a closed form solution of the D.C.M. to use as a truth model. It was felt, however, that the maneuvers which were used for the present analysis are representative of common motions an actual vehicle would undergo during flight.

A. Single Axis Constant Rate Case

As previously discussed, a constant angular velocity of $10^\circ/\text{second}$ around only one body axis was the simulated vehicle maneuver for this test case. For this type of input, the rate extraction routine will yield perfect rate information in the absence of gyro pulse quantization. Therefore, the errors found in the computed direction cosine matrices will only depend upon the type of attitude algorithm employed, and upon the order of the integration technique used to integrate the differential equations of the algorithm. Errors which might have resulted due to the fact that digital computers only have finite word length, were made insignificant with the simulations

performed by using double precision word length with all of the computer programs.

For this simulated vehicle maneuver, it was found that both the scale and drift errors grew linearly as a function of time, independent of the algorithm and integration routine employed to compute the D.C.M. Also, the skew errors were identically zero over the complete simulation period.

These same simulations were also run with an orthonormalization routine included in the algorithm. The orthonormalization routines were used to orthonormalize the computed D.C.M. every five seconds during the three minute simulated maneuver time. It was found that the use of an orthonormalization scheme decreased the scale errors by a factor on the order of 10^{-4} for those algorithms using a first or second order integration routine. The addition of an orthonormalization scheme to the algorithms using a fourth order integration scheme did not yield a significant improvement in the scale errors. It is important to note that the orthonormalization schemes did not improve the drift errors incurred by the algorithms, and in some cases they actually increased the drift errors (see Appendix B).

Orthonormalization routines which were only employed at the end of the three minute simulation period were also analyzed. It was found that orthonormalization for those cases yielded much less significant improvement in scale errors than did orthonormalization routines which were used continuously throughout the simulations.

If, however, it is required that the drift errors should be small, i.e., on the order of the size of the quantization level of a typical gyro pulse (approximately $.007^\circ$), it is found that the addition of an orthonormalization routine is of no advantage. The drift errors are not improved, and the scale errors are already in the 10^{-10} range.

The single axis constant input test case showed the drift errors

incurred by the Euler parameter technique with any order integration routine tested were always lower than the drift errors incurred by the direction cosine matrix technique using the same order integration routine. Euler parameters yield 1/4 the drift errors that the direction cosine matrix scheme does for both the first and second order integration techniques, and 1/16 the drift error for the fourth order integration techniques.

With orthonormalization every 5 seconds included, the drift errors at the end of three minutes, normalized with respect to the drift error incurred by the direction cosine matrix technique using a first order integration routine, (0.285°), can be summarized as follows:

Table 1.

<u>Drift Error</u>	<u>1st Order</u>	<u>2nd Order</u>	<u>4th Order</u>
$\dot{B} = B\Omega$	1	.5	$.12 \times 10^{-4}$
E.P.	.25	.125	$.75 \times 10^{-6}$

$\dot{B} = B\Omega$ represents the direction cosine matrix technique.

E.P. represents the Euler parameter technique.

$\omega = 10^\circ/\text{sec.}; \Delta t = 1/8 \text{ sec.}$

The elements of Table 1 were found to be constant for first and second order integration techniques, for varying integration interval, Δt , and for varying angular rate, ω . However, the fourth order techniques were shown to improve relative to the first and second order techniques as the ratio $\omega/\Delta t$ was decreased. The fourth order Euler parameters continued, however, to incur only 1/16 the drift error incurred by fourth order direction cosine matrix techniques as $\omega/\Delta t$ was decreased.

B. Three Axis Constant Rate Case

In this test case, constant angular rates of $10^\circ/\text{second}$ were input along the three orthogonal body axes. The resulting error analysis showed the scale, skew, and drift errors to be the same along all three axes. As in the single axis case, it was found that requiring the drift errors to be small made the use of an orthonormalization scheme to reduce scale and skew errors unnecessary. The drift for this case using D.C.M. technique with a first order integration scheme was found to be 2.391° .

A summary of the normalized drift errors can be seen in Table 2.

Table 2.

<u>Drift Order</u>	<u>1st Order</u>	<u>2nd Order</u>	<u>4th Order</u>
$\dot{B} = B\Omega$	1	.5	$.26 \times 10^{-4}$
E.P.	.25	.125	$.225 \times 10^{-5}$

Again it can be seen that for first and second order integration routines, the Euler parameter technique yields a drift error of $1/4$ the drift error incurred by the direction cosine matrix technique; and for fourth order integration routines, the drift error ratio is $1/16$. It should also be noted that the fourth order integration techniques in this case do not have the same relative improvement over first and second order techniques as they did in the single axis constant rate constant rate test case. Their relative improvement was reduced by a factor of three from its value in the single axis case, although for the value of $\omega/\Delta t$ used they still held a commanding advantage.

If the results of these first two test cases are compared with the analytical work of McKern,^[2] it can be seen that using a second order integration routine with either Euler parameters or direction

cosine matrix schemes yields drift errors of half those which would result from using a first order integration routine with the algorithms, independent of the value $\omega/\Delta t$. Use of a fourth order routine, however, yields only 1/4 the drift error of a third order routine, also independent of the value $\omega/\Delta t$.

C. Single Axis Sinusoidal Rate Case

For this test case, the simulated vehicle angular rate was of the form $\omega = \beta \cos \beta t$. For computer runs made, using a simulated vehicle rate of this form meant that by varying β , the vehicle would perform constant amplitude but varying frequency oscillations.

The results of the error analysis showed that there was no skew error incurred, and that the scale error did not need improvement by an orthonormalization routine when the drift errors were kept small. Most important was the result that the drift errors for this case did not grow linearly with time as in the constant rate test cases, but instead were bounded sinusoids having the same period as did $\sin \beta t$.

The drift errors for this case had another interesting dependence upon β . For the first order integration schemes, using either Euler parameters or the direction cosine matrix technique algorithms, drift errors were directly proportional to β . With second order integration techniques, the drift errors for both algorithms were proportional to β^2 , and for fourth order integration techniques the drift errors were proportional to β^4 . No computer runs were made with a third order integration routine, but it seems reasonable to speculate that the drift errors for a third order routine would be proportional to β^3 .

The ratios of Euler parameter drift errors vs. direction cosine matrix drift errors for this case is shown in Table 3.

Table 3.

<u>Drift Errors</u>	<u>1st Order</u>	<u>2nd Order</u>	<u>4th Order</u>
E.P./B = BΩ	1	1/4	1/16

These ratios held constant as the value of β was varied. These ratios are the same as they are for both the single and three axis constant rate cases when second or fourth order integration routines are used. However, the advantage held by the Euler parameters decreased sharply for the first order integration routines.

D. Coning Motion Superimposed on a Constant Pitch Rate

For this simulation, the simulated angular rate of the vehicle was:

$$\underline{\omega}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \sin \beta t \\ \gamma \\ \alpha \cos \beta t \end{bmatrix}$$

As in the sinusoidal rate case, the magnitudes of α and β were kept the same.

The results of the computer analysis showed the drift errors incurred along all three axes to be irregular functions of time, i.e., they were not linear and they did not have any simple sinusoidal form. In order to compare the accuracies of the algorithms tested, a mean drift was defined as follows:

$$\text{Mean Drift} = \frac{1}{2} (D_x^2 + D_y^2 + D_z^2)$$

where D_x , D_y , D_z was the maximum drift achieved during the three minute simulations about the x, y, and z axes respectively. Two basic test inputs were simulated for this case. The first used

$$\alpha = \gamma = 1^\circ/\text{sec.} \quad \beta = .1$$

and the second used

$$\alpha = \gamma = 10^\circ/\text{sec.} \quad \beta = 10.0$$

The normalized mean drift errors is shown in Tables 4 and 5. The mean drifts for these cases when the D.C.M. technique with first order integration was employed were 6.25×10^{-2} and 10.2×10^{-1} degrees respectively.

Table 4.

Normalized Mean Drift Errors

	<u>1st Order</u>	<u>2nd Order</u>	<u>4th Order</u>
$\dot{B} = B\Omega$	1	$.71 \times 10^{-2}$	$.30 \times 10^{-8}$
E.P.	1	$.27 \times 10^{-2}$	$.16 \times 10^{-9}$
$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 1$			

Table 5.

Normalized Mean Drift Errors

	<u>1st Order</u>	<u>2nd Order</u>	<u>4th Order</u>
$\dot{B} = B\Omega$	1	.44	$.19 \times 10^{-4}$
E.P.	.66	.16	$.23 \times 10^{-6}$
$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 10$			

The most significant result of the analysis is that again Euler parameters had mean drift errors less than or equal to those incurred by the direction cosine matrix technique, when the algorithms were tested with the same simulated input and evaluated with the same order integration technique.

The coupling of the algorithms' differential equations, and dissimilarity of the angular rates imposed upon each axis for this test case, made it difficult to derive a concise correlation between the magnitudes of the inputs and the resulting mean drift errors incurred by the algorithms.

CHAPTER 6

Conclusions

For every case tested, the Euler parameter algorithm proved to be at least as good as, and in most cases superior to the direction cosine matrix algorithm, when both used the same order integration techniques. It would seem wiser, therefore, to choose a four parameter technique in favor of the direction cosine matrix scheme which employs nine differential equations.

Although the orthonormalization algorithm used with the direction cosine matrix algorithm was only an approximate scheme, the method employed with the Euler parameter algorithm was exact, and showed that orthonormalization was useful only for reducing scale and skew errors. It further proved orthonormalization to be completely unnecessary when the algorithm employed uses an integration interval small enough to maintain the drift errors at a magnitude on the order of the quantization level of a typical gyro pulse. For those reasons, it would seem appropriate not to waste computer time by employing an orthonormalization routine when the above conditions are met.

It was mentioned in a previous chapter that the rate extraction routine used for these simulations was not the only choice available. One could in fact sample the gyro outputs more often over the integration interval in order to derive more accurate rate information. For example, the gyros' outputs could be sampled more frequently and be fitted with a third rather than a second order polynomial. However, choice of the optimum rate extraction scheme to be used would depend upon a priori knowledge of the angular rates to be undergone by the vehicle. The simulations run for this paper were not employed to explore the advantages of more accurate rate extraction routines. However, the generality of the computer programs written for this

analysis could easily handle changes such as this. It might be useful, therefore, in future work to explore the effect of rate extraction upon the accuracies of the attitude algorithms.

It must also be reemphasized that the simulation runs employed double precision throughout. This yields an accuracy of 15 decimal digits for each number stored in the computer. When some of the simulations were carried out in single precision (accuracy 7 decimal digits), it was found that computer round off became one of the most prominent sources of inaccuracy in the algorithms. Typical on-board computers do not have as long a word length as does the I.B.M. 360 with double precision. The accuracy of the on-board computer will, therefore, be a great source of concern when attempting to implement an attitude algorithm with a strapdown inertial navigation system.

Another important aspect concerning the accuracy of an attitude algorithm is the fact that each pulse from an integrating gyro is obtained only after the vehicle has undergone a certain minimum change in angular orientation. This minimum change to produce a pulse can be identified as the pulse quantization level of the gyro being considered. This simulation did not take this quantization into account, but again the programs could easily be modified to do so. The pulse quantization level would set a minimum magnitude on the drift accuracy of the algorithms due to the fact that the algorithms cannot be expected to have accuracies greater than the information supplied to them. The build-up of errors due to gyro quantization could be a study by itself, but for the purpose of these simulations it was ignored. It would, however, be reasonable to assume that gyro quantization errors would only be important when algorithm drift errors are about the same order of magnitude as the quantization levels. For much larger drift errors, the errors caused by quantization would in all likelihood be overshadowed by the errors incurred due to only

finite order numerical integration and errors in the rate extraction schemes. It might be possible to analyze effects of gyro quantization by merely looking at the effect they would have on rate extraction information.

Finally, it must be noted that although higher order integration routines yield better accuracies, they also take more time for computation. In some applications it might be more commendable to use a low order integration routine and small integration interval rather than a high order integration routine and large integration interval. To make a good choice would depend upon knowledge of typical vehicle maneuvers for the application of the strapdown system computation times required by the general purpose computer being used, and the accuracies required of the algorithm.

Although this study does not indicate what is the optimum rate extraction or optimum order integration routine to employ, it does strongly indicate that the four parameter techniques have a distinct advantage over the direction cosine matrix method, both of which yield attitude algorithms with no singularities.

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APPENDIX A.Closed Form Solutions for the Direction Cosine Matrix

The differential equation for the D.C.M. is

$$\dot{C}(t) = C(t)\Omega(t). \quad A.1$$

This matrix equation actually represents nine first order differential equations and can be rewritten as

$$\dot{C}^T(t) = \Omega^T(t)C^T(t). \quad A.2$$

The solution to Equation A.1 can be expressed using state space techniques as^[6]

$$C^T(t) = \Phi(t, t_0)C^T(t_0). \quad A.3$$

Throughout the remainder of this appendix the initial values will be set as follows

$$t_0 = 0,$$

$$C(t_0) = C(0) = C_0.$$

The differential equation for the state transition matrix in Equation A.3 can be expressed as

$$\dot{\Phi}(t, 0) = -\Omega(t)\Phi(t, 0), \quad A.4$$

because $\Omega(t)$ is skew symmetric, i.e.

$$\Omega^T(t) = -\Omega(t); \quad A.5$$

and the boundary condition for the differential equation is

$$\phi(0,0) = I \quad A.6$$

The solution for the state transition matrix, when $\Omega(t)$ is constant, is

$$\phi(t,0) = e^{-\Omega t} = e^{-\frac{\Omega}{\omega}(\omega t)} = I + \frac{\Omega}{\omega}(\omega t) + \left(\frac{\Omega}{\omega}\right)^2 \frac{(\omega t)^2}{2!} + \left(\frac{\Omega}{\omega}\right)^3 \frac{(\omega t)^3}{3!} + \dots$$

A.7

$$\text{where } \omega = (\omega_x^2 + \omega_y^2 + \omega_z^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

A.8

Noting that

$$\frac{\Omega^3}{\omega^3} = -\frac{\Omega}{\omega}, \quad \frac{\Omega^4}{\omega^4} = -\frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2}, \quad \text{etc.} \quad A.9$$

and substituting A.9 into A.7 yields

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(t,0) = I - \left(\frac{\Omega}{\omega}\right) \left[\frac{(\omega t)^3}{3!} + \frac{(\omega t)^5}{5!} + \dots \right] \\ + \left(\frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2}\right) \left[\frac{(\omega t)^2}{2!} - \frac{(\omega t)^4}{4!} + \frac{(\omega t)^6}{6!} + \dots \right], \end{aligned} \quad A.10$$

Now

$$\phi(t,0) = I - \frac{\Omega}{\omega}[\sin \omega t] - \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2} \left[1 - \frac{(\omega t)^2}{2!} + \frac{(\omega t)^4}{4!} + \dots \right] + \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2} \quad A.11$$

which results in

$$\phi(t,0) = I - \frac{\Omega}{\omega}[\sin \omega t] + \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2}[1 - \cos \omega t]. \quad A.12$$

From Equation A.3, the D.C.M. is shown to be

$$C(t) = C_0 \phi^T(t, 0) \quad A.13$$

so that

$$C(t) = C_0 \left[I - \frac{\Omega}{\omega} \sin \omega t + \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2} (1 - \cos \omega t) \right]^T, \quad A.14$$

For the case where $C_0 = I$

$$C(t) = \left[I + \frac{\Omega}{\omega} \sin \omega t + \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2} (1 - \cos \omega t) \right], \quad A.15$$

For the case of coning motion superimposed upon a constant pitch rate, the body angular velocity is given by

$$\omega_{ib}^b = \begin{Bmatrix} \alpha \sin \beta t \\ \gamma \\ \alpha \cos \beta t \end{Bmatrix} \quad A.16$$

which can be expressed as

$$\omega_{ib}^b = C_a^b \omega_{ib}^a \quad A.17$$

where

$$C_a^b(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta t & 0 & \sin \beta t \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin \beta t & 0 & \cos \beta t \end{bmatrix} \quad A.18$$

and

$$\underline{\omega}_{ib}^a = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \gamma \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix}. \quad \text{A.19}$$

Now

$$C_b^i(t) = C_a^i(t) C_b^a(t) \quad \text{A.20}$$

which is the matrix of interest for this case.

It is now necessary to determine the solution for $C_a^i(t)$.

From Equation A.18, the value for $\underline{\omega}_{ab}^a$ can be determined as

$$\underline{\omega}_{ab}^a = \underline{\omega}_{ab}^b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\beta \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}. \quad \text{A.21}$$

$\underline{\omega}_{ib}^b$ can be rewritten as

$$\underline{\omega}_{ib}^b = C_a^b \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \beta + \gamma \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\beta \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{A.22}$$

and because

$$\underline{\omega}_{ib}^a = \underline{\omega}_{ia}^a + \underline{\omega}_{ab}^a \quad \text{A.23}$$

it must follow that

$$\underline{\omega}_{ia}^a = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ \beta + \gamma \\ \alpha \end{Bmatrix}, \quad \text{A.24}$$

$\underline{\omega}_{ia}^a$ is of constant value and

$$\dot{C}_a^i(t) = C_a^i(t)\Omega$$

where

$$\Omega = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\alpha & (\beta + \gamma) \\ \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ -(\beta + \gamma) & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \quad \text{A.25}$$

The solution to A.25 is then given as

$$C_a^i(t) = [I + \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2} (1 - \cos \omega t) + \frac{\Omega}{\omega} \sin \omega t] \quad \text{A.26}$$

where

$$\omega = (\alpha^2 + (\beta + \gamma)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad \text{A.27}$$

The value for $C_b^i(t)$ is now given as

$$C_b^i(t) = [I + \frac{\Omega^2}{\omega^2} (1 - \cos \omega t) + \frac{\Omega}{\omega} \sin \omega t] C_b^a(t). \quad \text{A.28}$$

APPENDIX B.Orthonormalization

One technique that has been suggested for orthonormalizing a computed direction cosine matrix is the following.

Letting \hat{C} be the computed D.C.M. and

$$C^* = \hat{C} (\hat{C}^T \hat{C})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad B.1$$

then C^* will be the optimal orthogonal approximation which minimizes

$$\text{Trace } [(C^* - \hat{C}) (C^* - \hat{C})^T]. \quad B.2$$

Letting

$$\hat{C} = C + \delta C = (I + \delta C C^T) C \quad B.3$$

where C is the true D.C.M., and expanding Equation B.1 to first order according to the binomial series yields the result

$$C^* = [I + \frac{1}{2} \delta C C^T - \frac{1}{2} C \delta C^T] C. \quad B.4$$

Letting $P = \delta C C^T$ and substituting into B.4 gives

$$C^* = [I + \frac{1}{2} P - \frac{1}{2} P^T] C. \quad B.5$$

When this first order approximation is substituted into the error equation of Chapter 4

$$E = \hat{C} C^T - I \quad B.6$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2}P - \frac{1}{2}P^T.$$

B.7

Note that the right hand side of equation B.7 is in skew symmetric form. This means that the error matrix would be of the following form.

$$E = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \epsilon_{12} & \epsilon_{13} \\ -\epsilon_{12} & 0 & \epsilon_{23} \\ -\epsilon_{13} & -\epsilon_{23} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{B.8}$$

This error matrix would yield zero scale and skew errors independent of the magnitude of its elements.

Letting the difference matrix δC and the true D.C.M. be divided into row vectors

$$\delta C = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{a}_1 \\ \bar{a}_2 \\ \bar{a}_3 \end{pmatrix}; \quad C = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{c}_1 \\ \bar{c}_2 \\ \bar{c}_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{B.9}$$

The error matrix becomes

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{\bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T - \bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T}{2} & \frac{\bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T - \bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T}{2} \\ \frac{\bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T - \bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T}{2} & 0 & \frac{\bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T - \bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T}{2} \\ \frac{\bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T - \bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T}{2} & \frac{\bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T - \bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T}{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{B.10}$$

and the three drift errors as defined in Chapter III are

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Drift}_1 &= \frac{\bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T - \bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T}{2} \\
 \text{Drift}_2 &= \frac{\bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T - \bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T}{2} \\
 \text{Drift}_3 &= \frac{\bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T - \bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T}{2}
 \end{aligned} \tag{B.11}$$

If the computed D.C.M. is not orthonormalized, the error matrix of Equation B.2 becomes

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T & \bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T & \bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T \\ \bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T & \bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T & \bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T \\ \bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T & \bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T & \bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T \end{bmatrix} \tag{B.12}$$

and the other errors as defined in Chapter III are as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Scale}_1 &= (\bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T)^2 + (\bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T)^2 + (\bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T)^2 \\
 \text{Scale}_2 &= (\bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T)^2 + (\bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T)^2 + (\bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T)^2 \\
 \text{Scale}_3 &= (\bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T)^2 + (\bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T)^2 + (\bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T)^2 \\
 \text{Skew}_1 &= \frac{\bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T + \bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T}{2} \\
 \text{Skew}_2 &= \frac{\bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T + \bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T}{2} \\
 \text{Skew}_3 &= \frac{\bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T + \bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T}{2}
 \end{aligned} \tag{B.13}$$

$$\text{Drift}_1 = \frac{\bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T - \bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T}{2}$$

$$\text{Drift}_2 = \frac{\bar{a}_3 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T - \bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_3^T}{2}$$

$$\text{Drift}_3 = \frac{\bar{a}_1 \cdot \bar{c}_2^T - \bar{a}_2 \cdot \bar{c}_1^T}{2}$$

The drift errors of Equation B.13 are seen to be identical to those of Equation B.10. Therefore, an exact first order orthonormalization routine does not yield any benefit in reduction of drift errors. This is due to the fact that the error matrix associated with the orthonormalized D.C.M. is the skew symmetric form of the error matrix associated with the non-orthonormalized D.C.M., and drift errors are defined as the skew symmetric portions of the error matrix. Obviously, skew symmetrizing an already skew symmetric matrix does not change it.

Therefore, first order orthonormalization routines will effectively null scale and skew errors. However, they do not minimize B.2 as much as would a higher order expansion.

A second order expansion of Equation B.1 results in a C^* of the form

$$C^* = [I - \frac{1}{2}P^T + \frac{1}{2}P - \frac{1}{8}P^TP - \frac{1}{8}PP^T + \frac{3}{8}P^TP^T - \frac{1}{2}P^2] C \quad B.14$$

where again $P = \delta CC^T$.

The error matrix for this second order approximation is then

$$E = \frac{1}{2}P - \frac{1}{2}P^T - \frac{1}{8}P^TP - \frac{1}{8}PP^T + \frac{3}{8}P^TP^T - \frac{1}{2}P^2. \quad B.15$$

This error matrix is not of skew symmetric form; and therefore, the scale and skew errors will not be zero. However, if the higher order terms of the binomial expansion are included, Equation B.2 should be more effectively minimized. This would imply that a lesser amount of change was made upon the computed direction cosine matrix to orthonormalize it.

The results of the preceeding analysis show scale and skew errors to be second order, while drift errors are first order with respect to the errors found in the computed direction cosine matrix.

APPENDIX C.

Computer Simulation

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C      MAIN PROGRAM
      IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-G,O-Z)
      COMMON TINT,NCNT
      COMMON /ABC/ PLOT,PPRINT
      COMMON /CONE/ ALPHA,BETA,GAMMA
      DIMENSION BC(3,3),BT(3,3),DB(3,3),DE(3,3),DTHETA(3),E(9)
      DIMENSION NT(2000),E1(2000),E2(2000),E3(2000)
      DIMENSION E4(2000),E5(2000),E6(2000),E7(2000),E8(2000),E9(2000)
      DIMENSION HEAD(108)
      DATA MARK/ 1H* /
      IREAD = 5
      IWRITE = 6
C----- INITIALIZE PROGRAM PARAMETERS
      PI=3.141592653589732
      RDTODG = 180.0/PI
      ALPHA = 1.0
      BETA=1.0
      GAMMA = 1.0
      DGTORD = PI/180.
      ALPHA=ALPHA*DGTORD
      BETA=BETA*DGTORD
      GAMMA=GAMMA*DGTORD
C----- READ SIX JOB DESCRIPTION CARDS
      READ(5,3) (HEAD(I),I=1,108)
      3 FORMAT(18A4/18A4/18A4/18A4/18A4/18A4)
      WRITE (IWRITE,2)
      2 FORMAT (1H1,40X,35HGSSA2 - ATTITUDE SIMULATION PROGRAM//
      1 1X,15HJOB DESCRIPTION//)
      WRITE(6,4) (HEAD(I),I=1,108)
      4 FORMAT(6(/2X,18A4))
      DO 10 I=1,3
      DO 10 J=1,3
      BT(I,J) =0.0
      10 BC(I,J) =0.0
      BT(1,1) = 1.0
      BC(1,1) = 1.0

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      BT(2,2) = 1.0
      BC(2,2) = 1.0
      BT(3,3) = 1.0
      BC(3,3) = 1.0
C-----READ INPUTS
      READ (IREAD,402)  FREQ,TPLOT,TPRINT,TF
402  FORMAT(4F10.0)
      WRITE (IWRITE,403)
403  FORMAT (////1X,10HINPUT DATA)
      WRITE(IWRITE,404)  FREQ,TPLOT,TPRINT,TF
404  FORMAT (//1X,6HFREQ=D15.8,4X,7HTPLOT=D15.8,4X,8HTPRINT =
1    D15.8,4X,4HTF=D15.8//)
      TINT = 1.0/FREQ
      T = 0.0
      NT(1) = T
      NPLT = 1
      PLOT = TPLOT
      PPRINT = TPRINT
      CALL ERROR (BC,BT,DB,DE,E,IWRITE)
      DO 20 K=4,9
      F(K) = E(K)*ROTDG
20  CONTINUE
      E1(NPLT) = F(1)
      E2(NPLT) = E(2)
      E3(NPLT) = E(3)
      E4(NPLT) = E(4)
      E5(NPLT) = E(5)
      E6(NPLT) = E(6)
      E7(NPLT) = E(7)
      E8(NPLT) = E(8)
      E9(NPLT) = F(9)
      WRITE (IWRITE,405)
405  FORMAT (////1X,11HOUTPUT DATA)
      WRITE (IWRITE,406)  T
406  FORMAT (//1X,6HTIME=D15.8)
      WRITE (IWRITE,407)

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407	FORMAT (//1X,37HBC - COMPUTED DIRECTION COSINE MATRIX,22X,	MAIN0070
1	33HBT - TRUE DIRECTION COSINE MATRIX/)	MAIN0071
	DO 21 I=1,3	MAIN0072
	WRITE (IWRITE,408) (BC(I,J),J=1,3), (BT(I,J),J=1,3)	MAIN0073
21	CONTINUE	MAIN0074
408	FORMAT (3D16.8,11X,3D16.8)	MAIN0075
	WRITE (IWRITE,409)	MAIN0076
409	FORMAT (//1X,22HDB - DIFFERENCE MATRIX,37X,17HDE - ERROR MATRIX/)	MAIN0080
	DO 22 I=1,3	MAIN0081
	WRITE (IWRITE,408) (DB(I,J),J=1,3), (DE(I,J),J=1,3)	MAIN0082
22	CONTINUE	MAIN0083
	WRITE (IWRITE,410)	MAIN0084
410	FORMAT (//1X,8HE VECTOR//6X,21HSCALE (DIMENSIONLESS),29X,	MAIN0085
	11HDSKEW (DEG),42X,11HDRIFT (DEG)/)	MAIN0086
	DO 23 I=1,3	MAIN0087
	WRITE (IWRITE,411) E(I),E(I+3),E(I+6)	MAIN0088
23	CONTINUE	MAIN0089
411	FORMAT (7X,D16.8,29X,D16.8,36X,D16.8)	MAIN0090
C-----	SET UP DO LOOP LIMIT FOR MAIN LOOP	MAIN0091
	XINT = TF/TINT	MAIN0092
	INT = XINT	MAIN0093
	I2 = 0	MAIN0094
	NCNT = 1	MAIN0095
C-----	MAIN LOOP	MAIN0096
100	I2 = I2 + 1	MAIN0097
	CALL PULSE (T,TINT,DTHETA)	MAIN0098
	T = T+TINT	MAIN0099
	CALL ALGOR (DTHETA,BC,IWRITE)	MAIN0100
	IF (T.LT. PLOT) GO TO 31	MAIN0101
	NPLT = NPLT+1	MAIN0102
	NT (NPLT) = PLOT	MAIN0103
	PLOT = PLOT+TPLOT	MAIN0104
	CALL TRUTH (T,BT)	MAIN0105
	CALL ERROR (BC,BT,DB,DE,E,IWRITE)	MAIN0106
	DO 32 K=4,9	MAIN0107
	E(K) = E(K)*ROTODG	MAIN0108

32	CONTINUE	MAIN0109
	E1(NPLT) = E(1)	MAIN0110
	E2(NPLT) = E(2)	MAIN0111
	E3(NPLT) = E(3)	MAIN0112
	E4(NPLT) = E(4)	MAIN0113
	E5(NPLT) = E(5)	MAIN0114
	E6(NPLT) = E(6)	MAIN0115
	E7(NPLT) = E(7)	MAIN0116
	E8(NPLT) = E(8)	MAIN0117
	E9(NPLT) = E(9)	MAIN0118
31	IF (T.LT.PPRINT) GO TO 131	MAIN0119
	APLT=PLOT-TPLOT	MAIN0120
	IF (T.GE.APLT) GO TO 132	MAIN0121
	CALL TRUTH(T,BT)	MAIN0122
	CALL ERROR(BC,BT,DB,DE,E,IWRITE)	MAIN0123
132	CONTINUE	MAIN0124
	PPRINT = PPRINT+TPRINT	MAIN0125
C-----	WRITE OUTPUT	MAIN0126
	WRITE (IWRITE,406) T	MAIN0127
	WRITE (IWRITE,407)	MAIN0128
	DO 24 I=1,3	MAIN0129
	WRITE (IWRITE,408) (BC(I,J),J=1,3), (BT(I,J),J=1,3)	MAIN0130
24	CONTINUE	MAIN0131
	WRITE (IWRITE,409)	MAIN0132
	DO 25 I=1,3	MAIN0133
	WRITE (IWRITE,408) (DB(I,J),J=1,3), (DE(I,J),J=1,3)	MAIN0134
25	CONTINUE	MAIN0135
	WRITE (IWRITE,410)	MAIN0136
	DO 26 I=1,3	MAIN0137
	WRITE (IWRITE,411) E(I),E(I+3),E(I+6)	MAIN0138
26	CONTINUE	MAIN0139
131	CONTINUE	MAIN0140
	IF (I2.LT.INT) GO TO 100	MAIN0141
C-----	READ SIX PLOT DESCRIPTION CARDS	MAIN0142
	READ (IREAD,3) (HEAD(I),I=1,72)	MAIN0143
C-----	PRINT PLOT DESCRIPTION HEADING	MAIN0144

	WRITE (IWRITE,5)	MAIN0145
5	FORMAT (1H1,1X,16HPLOT DESCRIPTION//)	MAIN0146
	WRITE(IWRITE,404) FREQ,TPLOT,TPRINT,TF	MAIN0147
	WRITE (IWRITE,4) (HEAD(I),I=1,72)	MAIN0148
	WRITE (IWRITE,420)	MAIN0149
	CALL PLOTTER (E1,NT,NPLT,MARK,IWRITE)	MAIN0150
	WRITE (IWRITE,421)	MAIN0151
	CALL PLOTTER (E2,NT,NPLT,MARK,IWRITE)	MAIN0152
	WRITE (IWRITE,422)	MAIN0153
	CALL PLOTTER (E3,NT,NPLT,MARK,IWRITE)	MAIN0154
	WRITE (IWRITE,423)	MAIN0155
	CALL PLOTTER (E4,NT,NPLT,MARK,IWRITE)	MAIN0156
	WRITE (IWRITE,424)	MAIN0157
	CALL PLOTTER (E5,NT,NPLT,MARK,IWRITE)	MAIN0158
	WRITE (IWRITE,425)	MAIN0159
	CALL PLOTTER (E6,NT,NPLT,MARK,IWRITE)	MAIN0160
	WRITE (IWRITE,426)	MAIN0161
	CALL PLOTTER (E7,NT,NPLT,MARK,IWRITE)	MAIN0162
	WRITE (IWRITE,427)	MAIN0163
	CALL PLOTTER (E8,NT,NPLT,MARK,IWRITE)	MAIN0164
	WRITE (IWRITE,428)	MAIN0165
	CALL PLOTTER (E9,NT,NPLT,MARK,IWRITE)	MAIN0166
420	FORMAT (1H1,45X,50HX-AXIS SCALE ERROR (DIMENSIONLESS) VS. TIME (S	MAIN0167
	1FC.))	MAIN0168
421	FORMAT (1H1,45X,50HY-AXIS SCALE ERROR (DIMENSIONLESS) VS. TIME (S	MAIN0169
	1FC.))	MAIN0170
422	FORMAT (1H1,45X,50HZ-AXIS SCALE ERROR (DIMENSIONLESS) VS. TIME (S	MAIN0171
	1EC.))	MAIN0172
423	FORMAT (1H1,45X,40HX-Y SKEW ERROR (DEGREES) VS. TIME (SEC.))	MAIN0173
424	FORMAT (1H1,45X,40HY-Z SKEW ERROR (DEGREES) VS. TIME (SEC.))	MAIN0174
425	FORMAT (1H1,45X,40HZ-X SKEW ERROR (DEGREES) VS. TIME (SEC.))	MAIN0175
426	FORMAT(1H1,45X,45HDRIIFT ERROR ABOUT X (DEGREES) VS. TIME (SEC.))	MAIN0176
427	FORMAT(1H1,45X,45HDRIIFT ERROR ABOUT Y (DEGREES) VS. TIME (SEC.))	MAIN0177
428	FORMAT(1H1,45X,45HDRIIFT ERROR ABOUT Z (DEGREES) VS. TIME (SEC.))	MAIN0178
	STOP	MAIN0179
	END	MAIN0180

SUBROUTINE ERROR (BC,BT,DB,DE,E,IWRITE)	ERR00001
IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-G,O-Z)	ERR00002
DIMENSION BC(3,3),BT(3,3),F(9),DE(3,3),BTT(3,3)	ERR00003
DIMENSION DB(3,3)	ERR00004
C-----COMPUTE ERROR MATRIX	ERR00005
CALL MATXT (BT,BTT)	ERR00006
CALL MATMLT (BC,3,3,BTT,3,3,DE,IWRITE)	ERR00007
DO 10 I=1,3	ERR00008
10 DE(I,I) = DE(I,I) - 1.0	ERR00009
DO 20 I=1,3	ERR00010
DO 20 J=1,3	ERR00011
DB(I,J) = BC(I,J) - BT(I,J)	ERR00012
20 CONTINUE	ERR00013
E(1) = DE(1,1)	ERR00014
E(2) = DE(2,2)	ERR00015
E(3) = DE(3,3)	ERR00016
E(4) = (DE(2,1)+DE(1,2))/2.0	ERR00017
E(5) = (DE(2,3)+DE(3,2))/2.0	ERR00018
E(6) = (DE(3,1)+DE(1,3))/2.0	ERR00019
E(7) = (DE(2,3)-DE(3,2))/2.0	ERR00020
E(8) = (DE(3,1)-DE(1,3))/2.0	ERR00021
E(9) = (DE(1,2)-DE(2,1))/2.0	ERR00022
RETURN	ERR00023
END	ERR00024

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SUBROUTINE PLOTTER (PLOT,NT,NUMBR,MARK,IWRITE)
IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-G,O-Z)
INTEGER BLANK,DOT,PLUS
DATA BLANK / 1H /
DATA DOT / 1H. /
DATA PLUS / 1H+ /
DIMENSION PLOT(NUMBR),NT(NUMBR),LINE(103)
ABS(X)=DABS(X)
DMAX=ABS(PLOT(1))
DO 5 I=1,NUMBR
XDATA=ABS(PLOT(I))
IF(DMAX-XDATA)4,5,5
4 DMAX=XDATA
5 CONTINUE
FACTR = DMAX
IF(FACTR.EQ.0.0) GO TO 13
SPACE = 50.0 / FACTR
HDG = FACTR
WRITE (IWRITE,102) HDG
102 FORMAT (/50X,17HSCALE (0 TO 10) = 1PD10.1//
1 36X,5HMINUS,55X,4HPLUS/)
DO 1 I=1,103
1 LINE(I)=DOT
LINE (1) = 1
LINE (2) = 0
LINE (7) = 9
LINE (12) = 8
LINE (17) = 7
LINE (22) = 6
LINE (27) = 5
LINE (32) = 4
LINE (37) = 3
LINE (42) = 2
LINE (47) = 1
LINE (52) = 0
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LINE (62) = 2
LINE (67) = 3
LINE (72) = 4
LINE (77) = 5
LINE (82) = 6
LINE (87) = 7
LINE (92) = 8
LINE (97) = 9
LINE (102) = 1
LINE (103) = 0
WRITE (IWRITE,100) LINE
100 FORMAT (20X,2I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,
1 I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,
2 I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,I1,4A1,2I1)
DO 3 I=1,103
3 LINE(I)=BLANK
LINE(1)=DOT
LINE(52)=DOT
LINE(103)=DOT
DO 13 I=1,NUMBR
J=SPACE*PLOT(I)+52.5
LINE(J)=MARK
WRITE (IWRITE,101) NT(I),LINE
LINE(J)=BLANK
LINE(52)=DOT
13 CONTINUE
101 FORMAT(9X,I10,1X,103A1)
RETURN
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SUBROUTINE MATMLT (A,N1,N2,B,M1,M2,C,IWRITE)
IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-G,O-Z)
DIMENSION A(3,3), B(3,3), C(3,3)
C
  IF (N2-M1) 10,20,10
10  WRITE (IWRITE,1) N1, N2, M1, M2,
1  ((A(I,J),J=1,N2), I=1,N1) , ((B(I,J),J=1,M2),I=1,M1)
  FORMAT (1H1 26H MATRIX MULTIPLY ROUTINE //
1  25H INCOMPATIBILITY ERROR 3H A(, 15, 1H, 15, 1H), 3X ,
2  3H B(, 15, 1H, 15, 1H) // 18H A MATRIX BY ROWS /
3  18H B MATRIX BY ROWS // (6D20.8) )
C
20  DO 30 I=1,N1
    DO 30 J=1,M2
      C(I,J) = 0.0
      DO 40 K=1,N2
40   C(I,J)=C(I,J) + A(I,K)*B(K,J)
30  CONTINUE
    RETURN
  END

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1  SUBROUTINE MATXT(A,AT)
    IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-G,O-Z)
    DIMENSION A(3,3) , AT(3,3)
    DO 1 I=1,3
    DO 1 J=1,3
    AT(I,J)=A(J,I)
    CONTINUE
    RETURN
    END
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      SUBROUTINE VECMLT(A,N1,N2,B,C)
      IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-G,O-Z)
      DIMENSION A(4,4),B(4),C(4)
      DO 10 I=1,N1
        C(I)=0.0
        DO 10 J=1,N2
10    C(I)=C(I) + A(I,J)*B(J)
      RETURN
      END

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SUBROUTINE ORTHO(B)
IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-G,O-Z)
DIMENSION B(3,3),C(3,3)
SQRT(X)=DSQRT(X)
C(1,1)=B(2,2)*B(3,3)-B(3,2)*B(2,3)
C(1,2)=B(3,1)*B(2,3)-B(2,1)*B(3,3)
C(1,3)=B(2,1)*B(3,2)-B(2,2)*B(3,1)
C(3,1)=B(1,2)*B(2,3)-B(2,2)*B(1,3)
C(3,2)=B(2,1)*B(1,3)-B(1,1)*B(2,3)
C(3,3)=B(1,1)*B(2,2)-B(1,2)*B(2,1)
C(2,1)=B(3,2)*B(1,3)-B(1,2)*B(3,3)
C(2,2)=B(1,1)*B(3,3)-B(3,1)*B(1,3)
C(2,3)=B(3,1)*B(1,2)-B(3,2)*B(1,1)
DO 1 I=1,3
DO 1 J=1,3
1 B(I,J)=B(I,J)+C(I,J)
DO 2 I=1,3
D=SQRT(B(I,1)**2+B(I,2)**2 + B(I,3)**2)
DO 2 J=1,3
B(I,J)=B(I,J)/D
2 CONTINUE
RETURN
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C      SUBROUTINE TRUTH (T,BT)
      SINGLE AXIS CONSTANT-RATE
      IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-G,O-Z)
      DIMENSION BT(3,3), A(5), TM(6)
      SIN(X)=DSIN(X)
      COS(X)=DCOS(X)
      SQRT(X)=DSQRT(X)
      PI=3.141592653589732
      DGTORD = PI/180.0
      THETAN = 0.0
      A(1)=10.0
      A(2) = 0.0
      A(3) = 0.0
      A(4) = 0.0
      A(5) = 0.0
      TM(1) = T
      DO 7 I=1,5
      XI = I
      THETAN = (A(I)/XI) * TM(I) + THETAN
      TM(I+1) = TM(I)*TM(1)
7      CONTINUE
      DO 10 I=1,3
      DO 10 J=1,3
      BT(I,J) = 0.0
10     CONTINUE
      THETAN = THETAN*DGTORD
      ST = SIN(THETAN)
      CT = COS(THETAN)
      BT(2,2) = 1.0
      BT(1,1) = CT
      BT(3,1) = -ST
      BT(3,3) = BT(1,1)
      BT(1,3) = -BT(3,1)
      RETURN
      END

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SUBROUTINE PULSE (T,TINT,DTHETA)
  IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-G,O-Z)
C-----GENERATES PULSES FOR THE POLYNOMIAL INPUT CASE -- SINGLE AXIS
  DIMENSION DTHETA(3),A(4)
  PI=3.141592653589732
  DGTORD = PI/180.0
  AO=10.0
  A(1) = 0.0
  A(2) = 0.0
  A(3) = 0.0
  A(4) = 0.0
  DTHETA(1) = 0.0
  DTHETA(3) = 0.0
  DT1 = TINT
  DT2 = TINT**2
  DT3 = TINT**3
  DT4 = TINT**4
  T1 = T
  T2 = T**2
  T3 = T**3
  T4 = T**4
  PART1 = AO+A(1)*(T1+0.5*DT1)
  PART2 = A(2)*(T2+T1*DT1+DT2/3.0)
  PART3 = A(3)*(T3+1.5*T2*DT1+T1*DT2+.25*DT3)
  PART4 = A(4)*(T4+2.0*T3*DT1+2.0*T2*DT2+T1*DT3+.2*DT4)
  DTHETA(2) = (PART1+PART2+PART3+PART4)*DT1*DGTORD
  RETURN
END

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	SUBROUTINE ALGOR (DTHETA,BC,IWRITE)	ALG00001
C	DIRECTION COSINE MATRIX, FOURTH ORDER	ALG00002
	IMPLICIT REAL*8(A-G,O-Z)	ALG00003
	COMMON TINT,NCNT	ALG00004
	COMMON /ABC/ PLOT,PPRINT	ALG00005
	DIMENSION DTHETA(3),BC(3,3),UNITY(3,3),DTHET1(3)	ALG00006
	DIMENSION DTHET2(3),THMAT1(3,3),THMAT2(3,3),TEMP1(3,3),OMG2(3,3)	ALG00007
	DIMENSION CMGO(3,3),TEMP2(3,3)	ALG00008
	DIMENSION OMG3(3,3),BN(3,3),CN(3,3),DN(3,3)	ALG00009
	SIN(X)=DSIN(X)	ALG00010
	SQRT(X)=DSQRT(X)	ALG00011
	COS(X)=DCOS(X)	ALG00012
	DT = TINT/2.0	ALG00013
	GO TO (100,200), NCNT	ALG00014
100	T= 0.0	ALG00015
	NCNT = 2	ALG00016
200	CALL PULSE (T,DT,DTHET1)	ALG00017
	T = T + TINT	ALG00018
	DO 300 I=1,3	ALG00019
300	DTHET2(I) = DTHETA(I) - DTHET1(I)	ALG00020
	DO 305 I=1,3	ALG00021
	THMAT1(I,I) = 0.0	ALG00022
	THMAT2(I,I) = 0.0	ALG00023
305	CONTINUE	ALG00024
	THMAT1(1,2) = -DTHET1(3)	ALG00025
	THMAT1(2,3) = -DTHET1(1)	ALG00026
	THMAT1(3,1) = -DTHET1(2)	ALG00027
	THMAT1(1,3) = DTHET1(2)	ALG00028
	THMAT1(2,1) = DTHET1(3)	ALG00029
	THMAT1(3,2) = DTHET1(1)	ALG00030
	THMAT2(1,2) = -DTHET2(3)	ALG00031
	THMAT2(2,3) = -DTHET2(1)	ALG00032
	THMAT2(3,1) = -DTHET2(2)	ALG00033
	THMAT2(1,3) = DTHET2(2)	ALG00034
	THMAT2(2,1) = DTHET2(3)	ALG00035
	THMAT2(3,2) = DTHET2(1)	ALG00036

DO 310 I=1,3	ALG00037
DO 310 J=1,3	ALG00038
OMG0(I,J) = (3.0*THMAT1(I,J)-THMAT2(I,J))/TINT	ALG00039
OMG2(I,J) = (3.0*THMAT2(I,J)-THMAT1(I,J))/TINT	ALG00040
OMG3(I,J)=(THMAT1(I,J)+THMAT2(I,J))/TINT	ALG00041
310 CONTINUE	ALG00042
CALL MATMLT(BC,3,3,OMG0,3,3,TEMP1,IWRITE)	ALG00043
DO 500 I=1,3	ALG00044
DO 500 J=1,3	ALG00045
TEMP1(I,J)=TEMP1(I,J)*TINT	ALG00046
500 TEMP2(I,J)=TEMP1(I,J)/2.0 + BC(I,J)	ALG00047
CALL MATMLT(TEMP2,3,3,OMG3,3,3,BN,IWRITE)	ALG00048
DO 501 I=1,3	ALG00049
DO 501 J=1,3	ALG00050
BN(I,J)=BN(I,J)*TINT	ALG00051
501 TEMP2(I,J)=BN(I,J)/2.0 + BC(I,J)	ALG00052
CALL MATMLT(TEMP2,3,3,OMG3,3,3,CN,IWRITE)	ALG00053
DO 502 I=1,3	ALG00054
DO 502 J=1,3	ALG00055
CN(I,J)=CN(I,J)*TINT	ALG00056
502 TEMP2(I,J)=CN(I,J) + BC(I,J)	ALG00057
CALL MATMLT(TEMP2,3,3,OMG2,3,3,DN,IWRITE)	ALG00058
DO 503 I=1,3	ALG00059
DO 503 J=1,3	ALG00060
DN(I,J)=DN(I,J)*TINT	ALG00061
503 BC(I,J)=BC(I,J) + TEMP1(I,J)/6.0 + BN(I,J)/3.0 + CN(I,J)/3.0 +	ALG00062
1 DN(I,J)/6.0	ALG00063
IF(T.GE.PLOT) GO TO 888	ALG00064
IF(T.GE.PPRINT) GO TO 888	ALG00065
RETURN	ALG00066
888 CALL ORTHO(BC)	ALG00067
RETURN	ALG00068
END	ALG00069